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Town, CP Rail officials to meet

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Town officials and representatives from the Canadian Pacific Railway will meet in the near future to discuss issues of concern the town has with the company.

Council passed a motion at its July 22 meeting requesting the discussion to resolve the volume and length of train whistles as trains pass through the community, maintenance of CPR property within town limits, the standing time of trains that block more than one crossing within the town, the speeds of trains as they pass through the community and the vision the company has for developing property it owns within town limits.

It was pointed out that although Derek Sutherland, director of disaster services for the town, is informed by CPR officials what dangerous substances trains are carrying through the community, that is not shared with Roy Brown, the town's chief administrative officer, nor any member of council.

Brown said Sutherland, in fact, signed a confidentiality agreement with the com-

pany prohibiting him from discussing what the trains carry with other town officials.

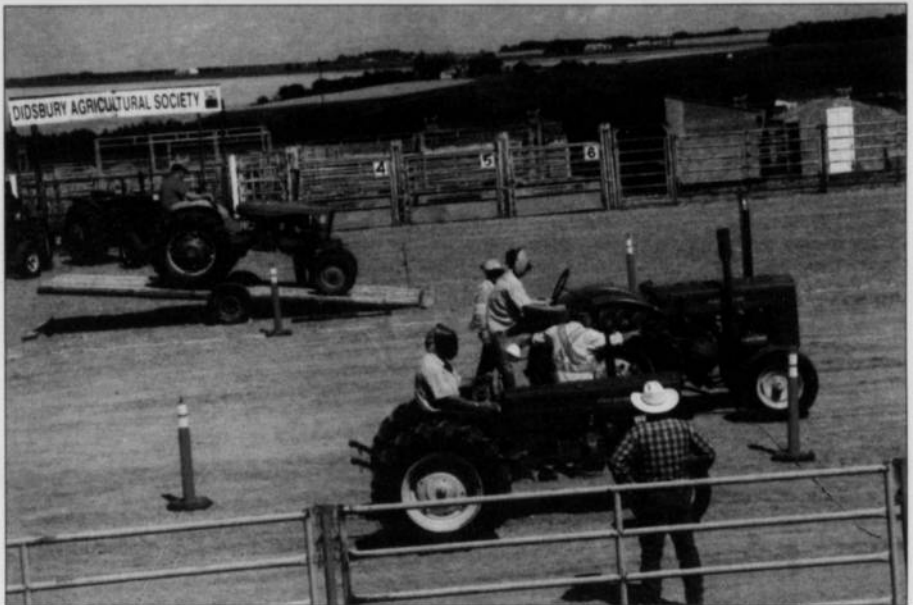
"For us, we need to be able to handle that stuff," said Coun. Lavar Adams.

Coun. Joyce McCoy, who brought the issue forward for discussion, said in an interview that she's gotten a lot of feedback from residents expressing concern about the volume of the whistles.

"The trains seem to be getting longer and more frequent and so it's not just a couple trains a day anymore. It's a lot more, and they're longer and they seem to honk a lot longer and it's become quite disruptive," she said.

McCoy said she was quite surprised to learn that more town officials aren't aware of the types of goods that are going through town on CPR trains. But she hoped that information might be shared with other town administrators and council as a whole on an annual basis in the future.

"If we knew what was going through our town, that could also help us decide on future design on how close you're going to put buildings to the train tracks. I think that would be an impor-



HAVE FAITH - The father and son duo of Adrian and Mike Wood compete in the Blind man's leap trying to drive their tractors as close to the finish line as they can while having welder's masks placed over their faces. It was one of the events of the "tractor Olympics" held on July 27 at the Didsbury Agricultural Society grounds. For more on the games, see page 2.

tant addition if we were able to get that historical information," she said.

Mayor Rick Mousseau said in an interview that he had no problem with not knowing what chemicals specific train cars contain, so long as the director of disaster services knew that information.

Salem Woodrow, spokesperson for CPR, said the company has no involvement in regulating how or when municipal officials are informed of what chemicals trains

are carrying. She said that is regulated by Transport Canada.

Maryse Durette, spokesperson for Transport Canada, said previous to last summer's train derailment in Lac-Mégantic, Quebec, companies were not required to share information with municipalities about what types of dangerous goods they were transporting through communities.

Following the disaster, the federal government made it mandatory that

the information is shared with first responders. The new rules took effect in November 2013.

"It was created following last summer. There was no sharing before," she said.

Information on dangerous goods is shared yearly with emergency officials. A 24-hour emergency response centre is available to consult with emergency responders in case of an emergency.

McCoy said she spoke with a CPR official while at the Federation of

Canadian Municipalities conference in June. The official indicated to McCoy that studies on the length of trains, how long the whistles are being blown and other factors, would have to be conducted to determine potential mitigation strategies.

"Hopefully down the road we'll educate our residents as to how to complain to CP Rail about it so that the more we complain about it, the higher up we are on their needs assessment," she said.

Town, county to discuss new fire hall

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Administrators from the town and Mountain View County will meet with a facilitator in the near future in an attempt to iron out differences of opinion regarding a proposed new fire hall in town.

Town council passed the motion at its July 22 meeting.

The town and county have been at odds over the building of a new hall that is needed in town because the current hall no longer meets the requirements of the Didsbury Fire Department.

A cost consultant retained by a committee made up of town and county officials determined that, following the committee's forma-

tion in January 2013, a hall similar to Olds' would cost about \$5.2 million, while a uniquely Didsbury design would cost about \$5 million.

The fire hall committee subsequently studied other newly-built halls in Central Alberta and county representatives suggested that a smaller-scale hall such as the roughly \$3 million hall in Three Hills would suffice

for Didsbury.

The county also proposed a 50/50 cost-sharing arrangement with the town to build the new hall, in lieu of paying bay rental fees for tanker trucks.

Roy Brown the town's chief administrative officer, told councillors that the bay rental fees the county is paying haven't changed since 1982.

"I somehow sense

there's a communications issue (involved between the town and county)," Coun. Joyce McCoy said, suggesting that an all-council meeting between the two municipalities take place to clear up any confusion. "We could all learn something."

Brown said while an all-council meeting was one option, a facilitator could also work with

the two municipalities' administrative teams to sort out any differences.

Brown told councillors that the agreement to build a joint hall with the county would be for 40 years, but if Didsbury's needs grew beyond the proposed new hall the town would have to foot the bill for a subsequent hall on its own.

See Fire hall on p.8

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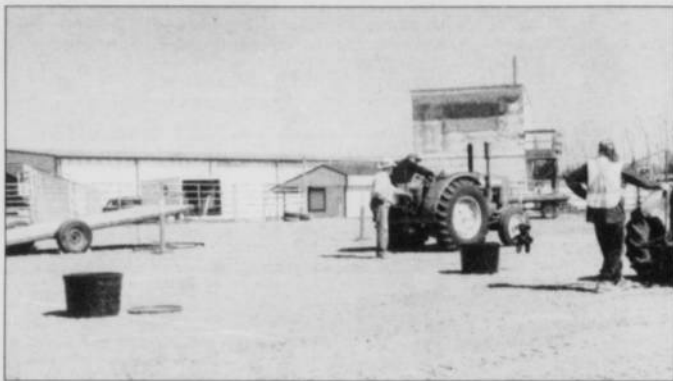
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Tractor Olympics crowns first champion



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A pair of competitors try to manoeuvre a teddy bear into the bucket during the "dunk the chicken" event at the Didsbury Agricultural Society grounds on July 27.

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Tony Stauffer was crowned the first champion of the Antique Tractor Olympics held at the Didsbury Agricultural Society grounds on July 27.

Stauffer was among 14 participants who put their antique tractors to the test in a series of driving competitions simulating farm tasks, ranging from the "back the wagon" event simulating backing a tractor with a bed-load of hay into a barn, to an obstacle course that challenged drivers to slalom around tires both forward and in reverse and a team event dubbed "dunk the chicken" in which a pair of drivers maneuvered an object hanging on a line tied to both tractors and then lowered the object into a bucket. Stauffer scored 65 out of a possible 90 points in nine different events.

Some of the tractors used included a 1947 John Deere M, a 1953 Minneapolis

Moline Model U and a 1950 Farnall.

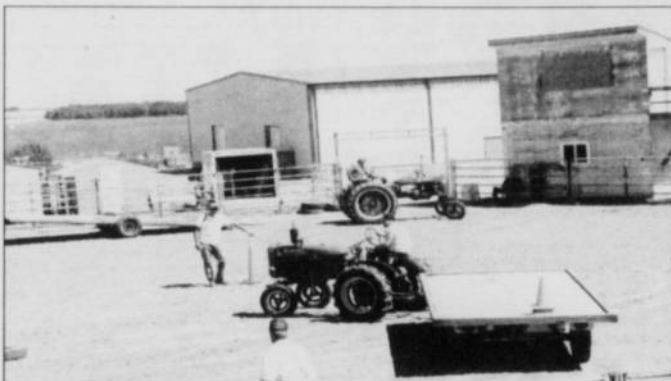
The event was organized through the Alberta two-cylinder club.

"I thought there's a lot of people out there that fix a tractor up, then they don't want to pull it, because they're worried about breakdowns. But there they sit in the shed and they're never used," said Cliff Scott, one of the organizers of the event.

Upon picking up a copy of *Farm Show* magazine, Scott saw a similar event in Minnesota. Upon contacting an organizer of the Minnesota event, the Didsbury tractor Olympics were born.

"We did nine games ... and everybody got to use their tractor. We had an excellent day and everything went good," Scott said.

The event raised just over \$100 for Thunder on the Prairies, the fireworks show that will be part of the Didsbury rodeo on the weekend of August 15 and 16.



Paul Frey/MVP Staff

Tony Stauffer, winner of the "Antique Tractor Olympics" manoeuvres a trailer backwards with his 1949 Farnall during the event held at the Didsbury Agricultural Society grounds on July 27. The event pictured here was designed to simulate backing a load of hay into a shed for storage.



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A competitor tosses a hoola hoop around a pylon on July 27 during the "Antique Tractor Olympics" held at the Didsbury Agricultural Society grounds.

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Council passes code of conduct

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Didsbury town council is now governed by a new code of conduct.

The code of conduct was initiated during a council workshop on June 16 and 17 as something that councillors thought they should bring forward.

The new bylaw, passed during the July 22 regular meeting, expands on what was previously a

short document. A draft version of the bylaw was presented to council on July 8.

The bylaw and accompanying policy sets out parameters for the duties, responsibilities and expectations of councillors surrounding confidentiality. The code of conduct also addresses subjects such as personal gain, respecting the decision-making process of council, respecting town staff, acceptance

of gifts and penalties for breaching the bylaw. Each member of council will be required to sign a copy of the bylaw.

The document is nine pages long.

"This is long and arduous and open to interpretation. I don't know if this better defines the covenant (between the town and council)," Coun. Joyce McCoy said.

"I believe it has more meat in it. The bylaw is more specific and spells

out consequences," said Roy Brown, the town's chief administrative officer.

Rick Mousseau, the town's mayor, said in an interview that he thinks the new code is good for all council members.

"I think it's good for everybody that's on council, how to represent the people and represent yourself," he said.

UPLIFTING READING — Paul Frey/MVP Staff
Bonnie Beldan, a former Didsbury resident now residing in Pickering, Ont., reads a submission of hers from the anthology *A Cup of Hot Apple Cider* on July 24 at the Zion Evangelical Church. A former school and music teacher, Beldan lived in Didsbury throughout much of the 1980s. She returned to Didsbury to visit old friends and took the time to read several prose pieces and poetry that she has had published over the years, many of which have an uplifting message.

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Didsbury to send letter to MVSH

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Town council directed administration to send a letter to the Mountain View Seniors' Housing board expressing concern about the costs of the proposed new Sundre seniors facility and the proposed master services agreement between the housing authority and Alberta Health Services.

MVSH has signed the agreement but AHS has not.

Councillors passed the motion at the July 22 council meeting.

The town has not yet made a motion approving the Sundre project.

Olds, Cremona and Carstairs have made motions in support of the Sundre project, but wanted the budget capped at \$25 million. Olds and Cremona also wanted AHS to sign the master agreement with MVSH before the project went ahead.

The contract that was signed by MVSH to build the lodge in Sundre was given to Shunda Construction for \$26.2 million.

MVSH hopes to begin construction on the project in mid-August after the land has been transferred to the housing authority.

"Once we have title to the land ... Alberta Health (Services) will sign the master agreement (with AHS)," said Bruce Beattie, chair of the MVSH board.

Roy Brown, the town's chief administrative officer, said area CAOs were confused when a press release was issued by MVSH following a board meeting on July 17 indicating all municipalities supported the Sundre project. Didsbury council hasn't made a resolution in support of the project at this point.

Beattie said since Coun. Kimberley Moore, Didsbury's representative on the committee, voted in favour of the MVSH motion, the board considers that as Didsbury's support for the project.

At the Didsbury council meeting, however, many councillors expressed the opinion that it is unfortunate that when a Didsbury councillor sits on a board, they are to act in the best interests of that board and not of Didsbury council.

Beattie said all municipalities that are part of a larger organization such as MVSH do not have to indicate support for a given project on their own for a project to go ahead so long as a majority of that organization's

board members agree to the proposal.

At the July 22 council meeting, Coun. Joyce McCoy said since MVSH was running deficits for several years until it doubled the requisition it charges municipalities in 2014 - Didsbury's share went to \$76,000 from about \$35,000 the previous year - MVSH doesn't yet have a good history of managing finances.

"That's the best we can do to express our concern. They haven't shown us that they can manage that requisition," she said.

MVSH has sent a request to Greg Weadick, the minister of Municipal Affairs, to approve borrowing of \$22 million for the Sundre project. MVSH has a \$3.8 million Affordable Supportive Living Initiative grant in hand and financing from Mountain View Credit Union.

"We went through a very vigorous program over the last three-and-a-half years of making sure we did due diligence on this project and ongoing auditing of this project," Beattie said, noting that much tighter controls are now in place than when the expansion of the Mount View Lodge in Olds had to be halted because of difficulties with the contractor and project construction.

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Opinion

Editorial

Gun law changes have a lot at stake

The Harper government has announced plans to introduce new legislation that will make some wide-ranging changes to firearm ownership and control in Canada.



DAN SINGLETON

The changes, including mandatory safety courses for first-time gun owners, will also, according to the government, make it much tougher for people with previous criminal convictions to get and keep their hands on guns.

Whether the changes will make for safer Canadian towns, cities and counties, including rural communities across West Central Alberta, remains to be seen.

What is certain is that this latest attempt to balance lawful gun ownership with the need to prevent this country from becoming riddled by the gun-violence that now plagues the U.S. will have long-term impacts across Canada.

Steven Blaney, Canada's Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, says changes that will come before Parliament this fall will include comprehensive new measures.

Blaney says the Common Sense Firearms Licensing Act will, among other things, "restrict the ability of chief firearms officers to make arbitrary decisions, create a grace period at the end of the five-year licence to stop people from immediately becoming criminalized for paperwork errors, require mandatory firearms safety courses for first-time gun owners, and strengthen firearms prohibitions for those who are convicted of domestic violence offences."

"These measures would streamline licensing and eliminate needless red tape for law-abiding gun owners," said Blaney. "It would also take steps to ensure that those convicted of domestic violence offences can be banned from owning firearms. My foremost priority is keeping the public safe, through common sense policies."

The recent killing of three RCMP officers in New Brunswick at the hands of a gun-toting assailant highlights just how quickly things can go very, very wrong when it comes to unlawful firearm use.

If these latest measures succeed in preventing or even reducing such gun violence, then all Canadians will be the beneficiaries.

More than a decade ago, the Liberal government of Jean Chretien made its own major overhaul of Canada's gun laws.

In the end, the resulting national gun registry became a bone of contention for many people, leading, in no small measure, to heightened alienation across western Canada, particularly among those seeking wholly different gun control rules and regulations.

Now the tables are turned, with the Conservatives putting forward changes to the nation's gun laws and the opposition parties no doubt planning to do what they can to foster alienation over these Tory proposals, particularly in vote-rich central Canada.

Coming soon, the latest chapter in the great Canadian gun-control saga.



Commentary

Don't hold your breath waiting for free trade within Canada

DEREK JAMES FROM

A call by the three western premiers for the dismantling of internal trade barriers between their provinces is a great idea - one that is long overdue. It would lead to more opportunities for enterprising businesses, lower costs for consumers, and greater economic freedom.

But despite the publicly-stated good intentions by Saskatchewan's Brad Wall, B.C.'s Christie Clark and Alberta's interim leader, Dave Hancock, I remain sceptical. What precisely are they proposing? You see, Canada's constitution already guarantees free-trade between the provinces, yet each successive batch of leaders has "conveniently" forgotten it.

And even though so-called "incrementalism" has been a highly successful policy of Canada's political right for the past 20 years, this is an instance where it should not be applied.

Section 121 of Canada's Constitution Act, 1867, says, "All Articles of the Growth, Produce, or Manufacture of any one of the Provinces shall, from and after the Union, be admitted free into each of the other Provinces." The constitution is clear - inter-provincial trade is to be unencumbered by taxes, tariffs, and the like. When maintaining existing trade barriers, Canadian governments are thumbing their noses at the constitution.

Liquor laws offer the perfect example of the collusion between the federal and provincial governments to erect trade barriers.

In 1928, at the request of the provincial legislatures, the federal par-

liament enacted the Importation of Intoxicating Liquors Act - "IILA" for short. This law makes individuals who transport an alcoholic beverage across provincial borders liable to a \$200 fine. And repeat delinquent offenders could spend up to 12 months in prison. As Toronto lawyer Ian Blue put it, the IILA is very likely unconstitutional because it is in direct conflict with section 121.

The provincial liquor monopolies that we are all familiar with were created by the IILA. And, like all monopolies, the IILA prevents innovation and drives up prices. In an era where consumers do much of their shopping online, the IILA prohibits producers from selling their products directly to consumers in other provinces. There is no way for a Saskatchewan resident to order a bottle of B.C. wine online, or a B.C. resident to receive an Alberta microbrewery's beer in the mail. According to the IILA, these practices are illegal, finable, and worthy of jail-time.

Making matters worse, provincial governments hide taxes in the retail purchase price. B.C. lawyer Mark Hicken has an online calculator that outlines all the fees and costs associated with the purchase of a bottle of wine in his province. As a result, retail purchasers are unaware that they are paying exorbitant taxes.

But were the IILA repealed or declared unconstitutional, the entire liquor distribution regime in Canada would be jeopardized. And there are some powerful interests that want to see the status quo maintained.

The provincial distribution regimes propped up by the IILA are reliable and lucrative revenue streams

for the provinces. In 2013, Alberta's Gaming and Liquor Commission transferred over \$728 million to the provincial coffers for liquor sales, while Saskatchewan's received \$478 million in 2013 and B.C.'s \$911 million in 2012. Governments of all political stripes are equally complicit in maintaining these unconstitutional trade barriers.

Similarly, public sector unions don't want section 121 of the constitution to be taken seriously.

These unions have advanced their self-serving opposition under the ruse of public safety. On its website, the Saskatchewan Government Employees' Union issued a press release decrying the opening of two private liquor stores in the province. SGEU president Bob Bymoen said, "Alcohol is not just another consumer product. It is a drug that can and does cause serious problems for families and communities. Because of that, Saskatchewan citizens should have a say in how alcohol is sold in this province." Of course, he fails to mention that the union he represents has a vested interest in maintaining unconstitutional trade barriers.

While I do hope that the coalition of premiers makes strides towards a free trade zone in Western Canada, I am sceptical that much will come from it. After all, the neglected section 121 has guaranteed free trade within Canada since 1867, and by not immediately complying with the constitution, each of these premiers has already shirked from their responsibility to Canadians.

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Police briefs

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Golf-ball sized hail causes crash

On July 20, Didsbury RCMP received a 911 call at about noon regarding a single-vehicle crash on Twp. Rd 304 and Range Road 60 in which a single vehicle encountered golf ball-sized hail. The driver of the vehicle lost control and ended up in the ditch. He suffered minor injuries as a result.

Occupants suffer injuries

On July 21, a two-vehicle collision occurred at the Carstairs blind line and Highway 766. Police say a pickup truck

that was travelling south on Highway 766 attempted to turn east and was struck by an oncoming SUV. Minor injuries resulted from the crash.

Didsbury man facing charges

A 19-year-old Didsbury man is facing charges after police pulled over the vehicle he was driving on the Carstairs blind line near Range Road 20. Police say he was given a breath test and failed. He was taken back to the detachment and police said he subsequently failed the two tests he was administered there.

Council makes changes to road closures

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Despite the Didsbury Elks' efforts to have this year's parade route go past the Bethany Care Centre, council has nixed the idea.

At the July 22 meeting of town council, councillors rescinded an earlier motion made at the July 8 meeting closing off a number of streets to allow for the Elks parade on Aug.

16. The parade route was changed to allow for the procession to go past Bethany Care Centre.

After the motion was made, public works and protective services staff realized that the July 8 motion cut off numerous residents in Walter Place, Mary Place, Kildeer Close, Deer Coulee and 18 Avenue during the parade.

As a result, council passed a new motion

at the July 22 meeting closing off 20th Street from 20th Avenue to 19th Avenue from 6 a.m. until after the parade, 20th Street from 20th Avenue to 15th Avenue from 10 a.m. until after the parade, 20th Avenue from 10th Street to 20th Street from 9 a.m. until after the parade and 15th Avenue from 20th Street to 18th Street from 10 a.m. until after the parade.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

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Please note that effective immediately, Council Meetings will now begin at 6:00 pm instead of 7:00 pm.

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Dani Woodman - Development Officer

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Didsbury athletes bring home nine medals from Alberta Games

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Didsbury-area athletes Kyra Paulgaard, Kennedy Murphy and Wesley Wilks brought home a total of 11 medals from the Alberta Summer Games in Airdrie from July 24 to 27.

Paulgaard claimed a gold in the U-17 female javelin with a throw of 32.5 metres and a silver medal in the hammer throw with a toss of 33.61 metres. Both were personal bests.

Kennedy Murphy claimed a gold with her Zone 2 teammates in softball, while Wesley Wilks claimed one gold, five silvers and two bronzes in various swimming events. Wilks got gold in the male category five 50-metre fly with a time of 37.49 seconds, silver in the male category five 50-metre breast-stroke with a time of 42.66 seconds, silver in the category five 100-metre freestyle with a time of 1:15.03, silver in the 50-metre freestyle with a time of 33.82 seconds, silver in the four by 50 metre individual medley, silver in the four by 50 metre freestyle, bronze in the 100-metre breast stroke with a time of 1:32.74 and bronze in the 100-metre backstroke with a time of 1:35.00.

Paulgaard said she

performed six throws in each of her events: three preliminary throws and three more in the finals for being among the top eight in each event.

"I think I did really good this weekend. I had two personal bests which is really awesome. On Friday, the conditions were a little harsh. It was raining and windy and cold. It was pretty tough, but I did really well in javelin," she said.

Conditions improved on July 26, and Paulgaard was able to throw a personal best in the hammer throw. She also had throws of 9.09 metres in the shot put and a personal best in discus of 26.78 metres.

Paulgaard said the competitors she was up against were extremely skilled.

"The competition was pretty high. From all over Alberta, the top couple in each zone, so it was pretty tough, but I was in there and gave them a run for their money," she said.

Paulgaard said the entire experience was excellent.

"The track was just buzzing.... It was just such a cool atmosphere to hang out with all the athletes," she said.

Murphy agreed with that assessment.

"It was a lot of fun," she

said.

Murphy played four out of the team's five games, including the 10-3 final game in which the Zone 2 squad beat Zone 7. She played second base in the final game.

"We played really well. We were really good offensively and defensively, I think," she said, adding that the team played consistently well throughout the tournament.

Patrick Everett and Nils Haeni also competed at the games for the Zone 2 football team. The team finished just out of the medals in fourth place.

Liquor stores robbed on weekend

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

A 20-year-old Didsbury man that was arrested on the weekend appeared in court July 28, charged with two counts of robbery following separate incidents at Didsbury liquor stores.

One incident happened at about 7 p.m. on July 26 while the other happened at Didsbury Liquor and Beer at about 4 p.m. the next day.

"We've got one male in custody in relation to both incidents," said Cpl. Clint Gulash of the Didsbury RCMP

on the morning of July 29.

Derek Lucas, an employee of Didsbury Liquor and Beer, said he was in the back of the store during shift change when he was alerted to the incident by the store's clerk. He said the suspect grabbed a 1.75-litre bottle of Russian Prince vodka, made a motion directed at the clerk with his hand as if he had a firearm, and quickly departed the store. Lucas said the clerk called out to him to call the police, but because he was in the

back of the store, by the time he came to the front, the suspect was gone.

Lucas described the incident as a "snatch and run."

"At first, I didn't believe it (was happening). I was frustrated when it happened (because) I was (in the back)," he said.

Lucas said the RCMP responded quickly, only a few minutes after he made the call, but the suspect had already departed. He said he RCMP called on a police dog to help pick up the suspect's scent.

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August 16

Elks Pancake Breakfast to kick off the Parade and Rodeo weekend. Saturday, August 16th from 8 to 10 am.

August 16

Elks & Royal Purple Parade. Form up begins at 8 am down by the hospital. Judging at the parade is at 10 am. Contact Terry (403) 556-0882 for more info. Volunteers are needed.

Summer

Create a scarecrow for the Mtn. View Arts Festival and display it on the lawn of the Didsbury Museum from September 12 - 14. Prizes of \$50 will be given for each of 5 categories: Children under 12, Students 13-18 years, Family, Adult, Organization/Business. Come and join in the fun. For more info call the Museum 403-335-9295.

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Think positive, local woman with cancer says

BY JOSEPH HO
MVP Staff

Jessica Christensen has been living with cancer for the last seven months and says she'll have to take medication for the rest of her life. So far, it's been a drain.

"It's affected my life a lot just because my boys are four and six and they're really active and I'm tired all the time, just trying to get the right medications," Christensen said as her two sons, Corben and Carsen, scampered around at the entrance of Boston Pizza in Olds.

"They're like that from the time they wake up to the time they go to bed," she said.

Christensen, 28, is a Didsbury resident and was in town on July 21 to receive a \$500 cheque from Angela Sutherland, owner and manager of the local Boston Pizza. That money came from concession sales at the Central Alberta Draft Horse Classic, held at the Olds Regional Exhibition in June.

The two met and have since become friends after the restaurant held the Boob Tour in April, a comedy event that raises money for breast cancer.

In October last year, Christensen was diagnosed with thyroid cancer, news that made her think about the impact it would have on her young family.

"It hurt a lot. I was pretty scared just because I have two small children and I'm pretty young," she said. "But I've had lots of support from family and friends so it's been a pretty quick journey. It's not like, dragging out. It's gone by pretty fast so I'm thankful for that."

Christensen had her thyroid removed and in August, will undergo radiation treatment with the possibility of chemotherapy down the road.

Besides lethargy, Christensen said she hasn't experienced the side effects doctors warned her about, such as nausea.

Since the diagnosis, she said she values her life more but has not allowed the disease to change her personality.

"It hasn't been easy but (I) have lots of family and support," she said.

Sutherland's restaurant has held a number of fundraisers to benefit those struck by cancer in the past.

A few years ago, it started with an auction dinner for Cody Dolan, a 12-year-old Didsbury child at the



Joseph Ho/MVP Staff

From left, Corben Christensen, owner and manager of Boston Pizza in Olds Angela Sutherland, Jessica Christensen, community relations coordinator Leah Soriat and Carsen Christensen. On July 21, Boston Pizza presented a cheque for \$500 to Jessica, who was diagnosed with thyroid cancer in October. Christensen said that the money, which came from proceeds at the Central Alberta Draft Horse Classic, will most likely go to paying bills when she missed work for doctor's appointments.

time diagnosed with osteosarcoma, a bone cancer, Sutherland said.

She later participated in a walk-a-thon for women's cancer.

"Then I decided instead of giving the money to an organization, I'd rather give it to people that can actually benefit from the money," she said. "Rather than an organization where I don't know where the money's going."

That money will likely be used to pay bills, Christensen said.

She is currently employed at Leo's Building Supplies but has taken a leave because of her many doctors' appointments, though she takes the odd

shift.

She is also trained as a hair stylist and worked a few years at Hair Central.

Since her diagnosis, work has been put on hold. As a result, her husband has been "working like crazy."

When asked if she had advice for others battling the disease, Christensen said the end result is all in the mind.

"Think positive. That's all I can say," she said. "You think positive, you're going to get positive. You think negative, you're going to get negative."

"We thought positive this whole entire time and so far the outcome's been really good."

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1 Westridge Drive



Lovely 1500 sq ft home, 9' ceilings, new laminate throughout, oval soaker in ensuite, new stainless appliances, 2 sheds, fenced, double garage.

\$359,900

2106 - 21 Avenue



Lovely spacious home built in 2008, 3 bdrms, 2 baths, vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace, oak kitchen, walk-in pantry, main floor laundry, start on bsmt development, large att. garage, huge fenced back yard, great location.

\$359,900

2 College Green Close



1192 sq ft fully developed 50+ villa condo, granite counter tops, beautiful oak kitchen, 2 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, double attached garage, preferred location in the complex.

\$259,900

12 Havenfield Dr., Carstairs



Beautiful brand new home, 1576 sq ft., walkout bsmt., gas fireplace, reclaimed oak hardwood floors, 2 1/2 baths, 3 bedrooms, large lot, backs onto park and pond area.

\$439,900 incl. gst

3.16 Acres Near Didsbury



1180 sq ft home, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, 16' X 26' heated workshop, 40' X 60' quonset, on pavement, great little hobby farm set-up

\$489,000

103 Westridge Place



3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 baths, oak kitchen, corner pantry, large family room with wet bar, corner gas fireplace, 2 tiered rear deck, fenced yard.

\$339,900

14 Rosebud Bay



Beautiful 2 acre parcel in Didsbury, 1400 sq ft, 3 + 2 bdrms, 3 baths, gas fireplace, walkout basement, double attached garage, 30X40 heated shop.

\$449,900

1 Mile South of Didsbury



\$10,000 CASH BACK
Terrific acreage on pavement, 2.67 acres, 1392 sq ft character home, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, older barn, lots of mature trees and room to roam.

\$329,900

38 Silverstone Place



Gorgeous 1700 sq ft 2 storey, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, great open plan, beautiful ensuite, corner gas fireplace, huge fenced yard

\$399,900

31 Westheights Drive



Well maintained and upgraded home, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, newer windows, nice sized lot, beautiful yard, excellent location across from golf course, RV parking.

\$289,900

Affordable Midway Acreage!



2.23 acres, 1997 mobile home, 1216 sq ft., 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, wood stove, heated garage, on pavement, nicely treed.

\$294,500

Bulk Food Business!



Located in Victoria Square Mall, Didsbury, 1120 sq. ft., in business for 16 years, bright, clean and well maintained, be your own boss.

\$59,900 + gst

#11 Little Red Acres



1 acre lot on the edge of Water Valley, services to property line, backs onto green space, last lot in Little Red Acres.

\$109,900

2.50 Acres west of Didsbury



well maintained and upgraded mobile home, wood burning stove, trees, 3 sheds, area prepped for shop, only minutes from Didsbury on pavement

\$349,900